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House Resolution 1157

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Congratulating the Ola High School softball team on winning the 2013 AAAAA State
- 2 Championship; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the Ola High School softball team won 26 of its last 28 games and outscored
- 4 its opponents 183-40, working toward its ultimate goal of securing the state championship;
- 5 and
- 6 WHEREAS, by playing one pitch at a time, the Mustangs never lost sight of what they
- 7 wanted to achieve; their hard work and dedication are characteristic of athletes competing
- 8 at the highest level of their given sport; and
- 9 WHEREAS, the resilience of this team was shown in the regional tournament after they had
- 10 dropped into the losers' bracket; the Mustangs fought their way back to the championship
- 11 game, defeating their opponent to win the regional championship; and
- 12 WHEREAS, the truest test of the team's abilities came during the championship tournament,
- where the Mustangs needed to win six straight games against the toughest teams in the state;
- 14 and
- 15 WHEREAS, the athletes never doubted they could become state champions, even in the face
- of adversity; after playing two straight games, the team had to face its final tournament
- opponent, which had not yet played a game that day and was well-rested; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the team continued to persevere through a strenuous nine innings of play,
- 19 securing the 2013 AAAAA State Championship; and
- 20 WHEREAS, the many distinguished athletic accomplishments of the Mustangs softball team
- 21 can only be attributed to the players' outstanding athletic ability, teamwork, and exceptional
- 22 character traits.

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body

- 24 congratulate the Ola High School softball team on winning the 2013 AAAAA State
- 25 Championship.
- 26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
- 27 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Ola High School softball team.